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SUBJ: IMCO POE ON MARITIME SATELLITES; SECOND (AND
LAST) REPORT OF US DELEGATION

1. POE ADJOURNED 1900 HOURS JANUARY 11. GIVEN THE MOOD OF MAJORITY OF POE AT START (AND PREVIOUS SESSIONS) RESULTS NOT UNEXPECTED. US RESERVATIONS, FOOTNOTES AND BRACKETED LANGUAGE, AS APPROPRIATE, HAVE KEPT KEY ISSUES IN THE DRAFT INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS OPEN FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION AT SEPTEMBER MEETING. (AFTER APPROVAL BY MSC AT MARCH MEETING, DRAFT ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO IMCO MEMBERS FOR REVIEW AND COMMENTS; COMMENTS TO BE CONSIDERED BY POE IN SEPTEMBER.)
2. ALL THREE US PROPOSALS FOR ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS (CONSORTIUM, INTELSAT AND IMCO) REJECTED OVERWHELMINGLY.
3. USG WILL NEED TO GIVE PROMPT ATTENTION TO DRAFT INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS IN VIEW THE NUMBER OF PRESENTLY CONTENTIOUS ISSUES THEREIN. POLICY DECISION

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APPEARS NECESSARY.

4. POE ACCEPTED US OFFER TO HOST ANOTHER MEETING OF WORKING GROUP ON ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT. AS OF THIS MEETING, POE CONCLUSION IS THAT DEDICATED MARITIME SATELLITE SYSTEM IS ECONOMICALLY PREFERABLE TO A MULTI-PURPOSE SYSTEM; THIS IS ONE OF SEVERAL POINTS ON WHICH US POSITIONS (AS OF NOW) HAVE NOT FARED WELL. DATES OF MEETING TENTATIVELY AGREED, SUBJECT TO USG CONFIRMATION, MARCH 25-29, 1974. DELEGATES WILL ATTEND FROM NORWAY (CONTINUING CHAIRMAN PER US RECOMMENDATION), FRG, UK, USSR, ALL MEMBERS OF OSLO GROUP. NEW MEMBERS AUSTRALIA, CANADA, FRANCE AND SWEDEN AND POSSIBLY DENMARK.
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